IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this thirtieth day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-fifth.

Richard Kisson

PROCLAMATION 4050

National Employ The Older Worker Week, 1971

By the President of the United States of America

May 5, 1971

A Proclamation

The skills, the wisdom and the strength of older Americans constitute a great resource for our country. Unfortunately, it is a resource which has not been adequately used. Too many of our older citizens are denied opportunities for employment simply because of their age. Yet each year thousands of older workers demonstrate in convincing fashion that age is not a bar to efficient and productive labor.

Often, in fact, just the opposite is the case. For the older worker brings to his job a range and depth of experience which makes his efforts especially valuable.

The more I learn about older men and women, the more convinced I become of this central fact: what those who have reached retirement age desire most of all in life is the chance to continue their service to society. They want to be useful members of the community—independent and self-reliant citizens who are regarded as full participants in our national life.

I believe very strongly that these men and women, who have already given so much to our country, deserve every chance to fulfill this desire. They will benefit enormously from such opportunities, and our society will benefit even more.

The Congress, by joint resolution approved December 28, 1970, has authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation designating the first full calendar week in May of 1971, as "National Employ the Older Worker Week."

84 Stat. 1589.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the period May 2 through May 8, 1971, as National Employ the Older Worker Week.

I urge every employer and employee organization, other organizations officially concerned with employment, and all the people of the United States to observe this week with appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs designed to increase employment opportunities for older workers and to bring about the elimination of discrimination in employment because of age.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-one and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-fifth.

Richard Nigen

PROCLAMATION 4051

Mother's Day, 1971

May 7, 1971

By The President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

Throughout this Nation's history, American mothers have played a very special role—helping to pioneer the land, enriching our community life, and bringing deeper meaning to the lives of their husbands and children.

In recent years we have come to appreciate more than ever before the influential contribution mothers can make in the extended community beyond the home. But even as new horizons are opened for many mothers, each mother's responsibility to her children still defines her central role.

In our society, we want to see each person fulfill his unique potential. It is fitting therefore that we recognize and honor the part that mothers play in the development of their children—even as we welcome new opportunities for mothers to contribute to the Nation's life.

38 Stat. 770. 36 USC 142. The Congress, by a joint resolution of May 8, 1914, has set aside the second Sunday of May of each year as a day on which we honor all mothers for their countless contributions to their own families, to their communities, and to the Nation.